REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant elects the claims of Invention I, namely claims 1-9, 15, 19-22, 23, 30, 54-60, 62, 64, 71 and 79-87 to be examined in this application.

We look forward to receiving an Office Action on the merits in due course.

In view of the foregoing, early favorable consideration of this application is earnestly solicited.

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